

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

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SLIDE #2  
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**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Jay Robertson Lead Company

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

831 S. Howard Street

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

☐ DISTRICT  
☒ BUILDING(S)  
☐ STRUCTURE  
☐ SITE  
☐ OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

☐ PUBLIC  
☒ PRIVATE  
☐ BOTH  
**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**  
☐ IN PROCESS  
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

☐ OCCUPIED  
☒ UNOCCUPIED  
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS  
**ACCESSIBLE**  
☒ YES: RESTRICTED  
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED  
☐ NO **vacant**

**PRESENT USE**

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM  
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK  
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS  
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC  
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

City of Baltimore Neighborhood Survey

DATE

1976

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☒ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

Commission for Hist. & Arch. Pres.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

**7 DESCRIPTION****CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT  
☒ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☐ UNALTERED  
☒ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

This six bay wide, four bay deep brick warehouse is five stories tall with a flat roof. Originally only three stories, the added floors, although identically detailed, are of a different brick. The building occupies a corner site.

The six bay Howard Street side is regularly fenestrated with columns of windows grouped in pairs on the sheer facade. At the ground level, round arched truck entrances are set in the second and fifth bays, filled with wooden panelled doors. All windows openings are segmental arched with stone sills and are filled with double hung windows with metal sash with 12/12 lights. A brick cornice runs at the roofline. A one story penthouse is at the northwestern corner of the roof.

The southern, Henrietta Street facade is articulated with three brick pilasters which rise from a low projecting base at center and corners. They run to a corbel table set above the fifth floor windows. The side is regularly fenestrated with windows like those on the front, except that the two bays on the right at first floor level have a round arched opening. The opening is filled with a central doorway at ground level, flanked and topped by four light windows, set in brick infill.

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

c. 1905

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Until the turn of the century, some small shed and residences occupied this site. The Jay Robertson Lead Works, occupying some buildings to the north on Howard Street. About 1905, the first three stories of this structure were built for the manufacture and storage of plumbers' supplies and lead pipe. Some time after 1911 the top two stories were added. The structure is a stark, expressive pile of masonry, with Romanesque-vernacular round arched truck entrances at the ground level. The nearly exclusive use of red brick as a building material for walls and exterior detail is typical of identical building in Sharp Leadenhall from 1870 through 1940.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION****LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES**

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

CHAP

DATE

1976

STREET &amp; NUMBER

100 N. Holliday Street

TELEPHONE

397-4866

CITY OR TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

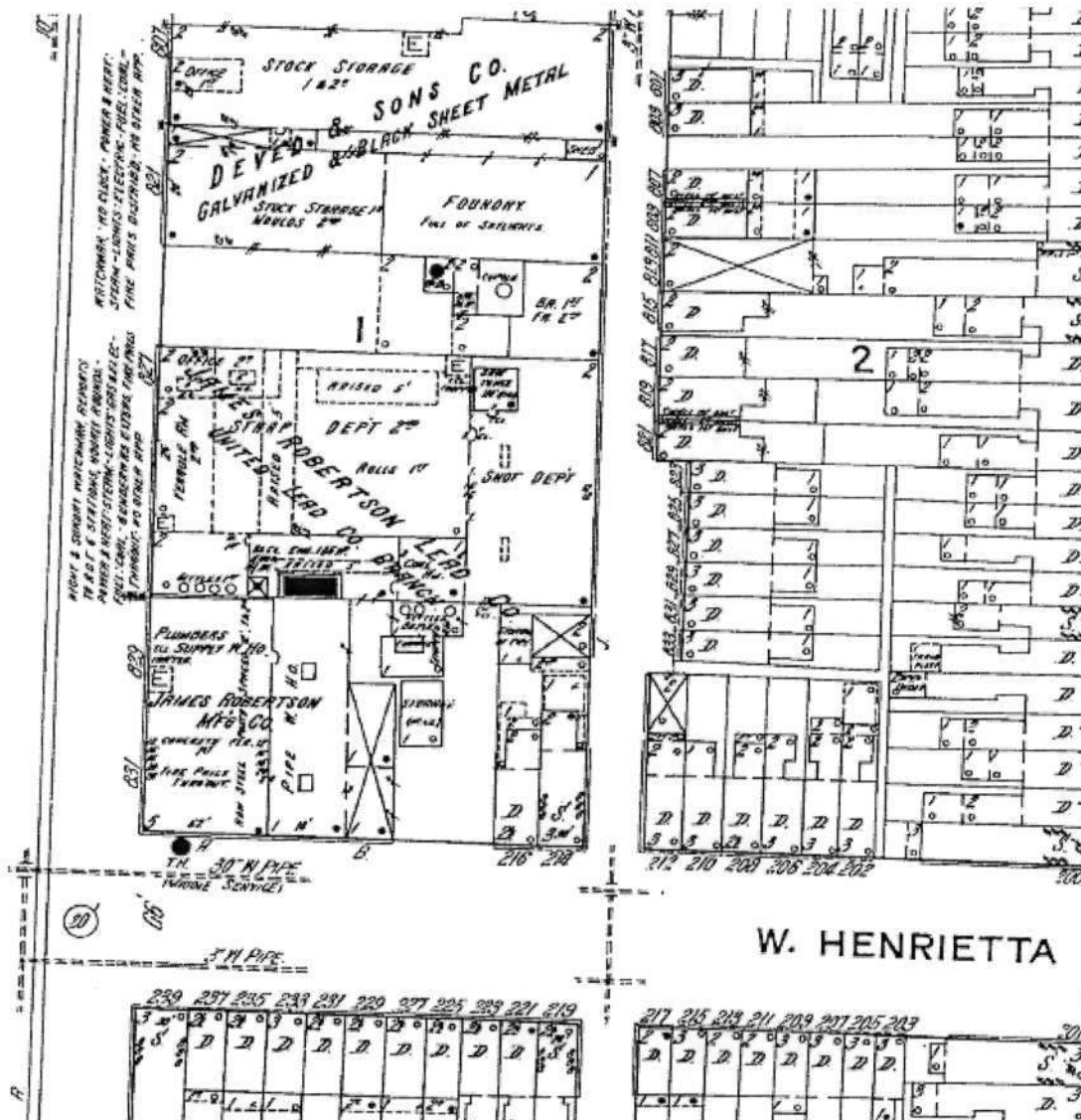
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 831 S. Howard Street  
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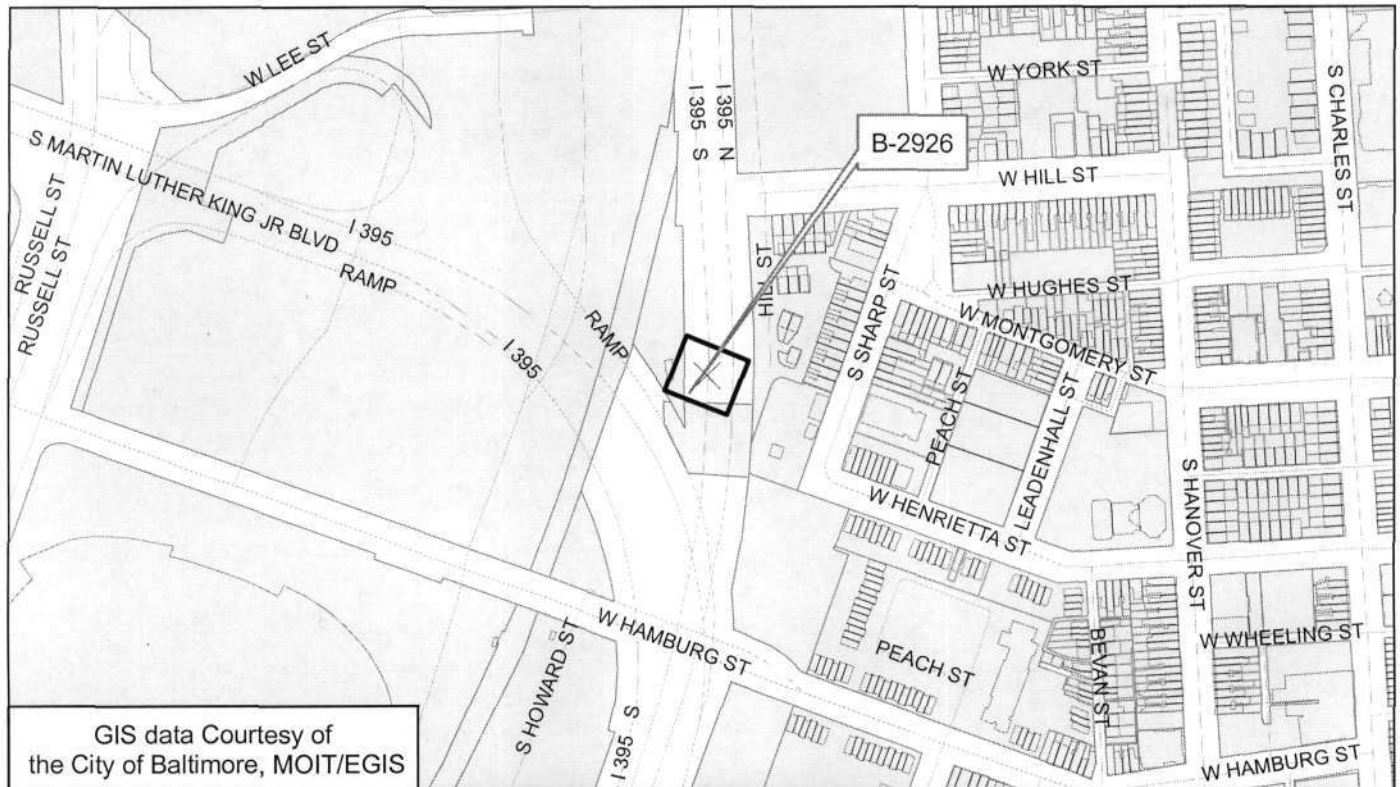
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831 S. Howard Street

Block N/A Lots N/A

Baltimore City

Baltimore East Quad.







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